## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Kindly cancel claims 1 - 7 without prejudice, in favor of new claims 8 - 23.

Claims 1 - 7. (Cancelled)

8. (NEW) An aminomethyl-functional alkoxysilane of the formula (1)

$$R^4OOC$$
 $R^3OOC$ 
 $N$ 
 $SiR^1_a(OR^2)_{3-a}$ 
 $H$ 
 $(1)$ 

where

R<sup>1</sup> is an optionally halogen-substituted hydrocarbon radical,

 $R^2$  is an alkyl radical having 1-6 carbon atoms or a  $\omega$ -oxaalkyl-alkyl radical having in all 2-10 carbon atoms,

R<sup>3</sup> is an optionally substituted hydrocarbon radical,

R<sup>4</sup> is an optionally substituted hydrocarbon radical, and

a is 0, 1 or 2.

9. (NEW) A process for preparing a prepolymer having end groups of the formula (2)

$$NH \longrightarrow SiR^{1}(OR^{2})_{3-a}$$

$$R^{3}OOC \longrightarrow COOR^{4}$$
(2)

by reacting at least one alkoxysilane of claim 8

- a) with one or more isocyanate-terminated prepolymers, or
- b) with at least one prepolymer precursor containing NCO groups to give an intermediate containing end groups of the formula (2), the intermediate containing end groups of the formula (2) being reacted in further step(s) to give a finished prepolymer.
- 10. (NEW) A prepolymer having end groups of the formula (2)

$$NH \longrightarrow SiR^{1}(OR^{2})_{3-a}$$

$$R^{3}OOC \longrightarrow COOR^{4}$$
(2)

## where

- R<sup>1</sup> is an optionally halogen-substituted hydrocarbon radical,
- $R^2$  is an alkyl radical having 1-6 carbon atoms or a  $\omega$ -oxaalkyl-alkyl radical having in all 2-10 carbon atoms,
- R<sup>3</sup> is an optionally substituted hydrocarbon radical,
- R<sup>4</sup> is an optionally substituted hydrocarbon radical, and
- a is 0, 1 or 2.
  - 11. (NEW) The prepolymer of claim 10, which is isocyanate-free.
  - 12. (NEW) An alkoxysilane of claim 1 wherein  $R^2$  is an ethyl group.
  - 13. (NEW) The prepolymer of claim 10 wherein  $R^2$  is an ethyl group.
  - 14. (NEW) The prepolymer of claim 11 wherein  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is an ethyl group.

- 15. (NEW) The alkoxysilane of claim 8, wherein  $R^1$  groups are methyl, ethyl or phenyl groups.
- 16. (NEW) The alkoxysilane of claim 12, wherein R<sup>1</sup> groups are methyl, ethyl or phenyl groups.
- 17. (NEW) The prepolymer of claim 10, wherein  $R^1$  groups are methyl, ethyl, or phenyl groups.
- 18. (NEW) The prepolymer of claim 11, wherein R<sup>1</sup> groups are methyl, ethyl, or phenyl groups.
- 19. (NEW) The prepolymer of claim 13, wherein R<sup>1</sup> groups are methyl, ethyl, or phenyl groups.
- 20. (NEW) A moisture curable composition comprising one or more prepolymers of claim 10.
- 21. (NEW) A moisture curable composition comprising one or more prepolymers of claim 11.
- 22. (NEW) A moisture curable composition comprising one or more prepolymers of claim 13.
- 23. (NEW) A moisture curable composition comprising one or more prepolymers of claim 17.